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Thu 0700	WRMI	9955
Thu 1530	WRMI	7385
Thu 1600	KAIJ	9480
Fri 0030	WBCQ	7415
Fri 0730	WRMI	9955
Fri 1200	KAIJ	5755
Fri 1200	WRMI	9955
Fri 2130	WWCR1	15825
Sat 0900	WRMI	9955
Sat 1730	WWCR3	12160 [revived last week]
Sat 2230	WRMI	9955
Sun 0330	WWCR3	5070
Sun 0730	WWCR1	3215
Sun 0900	WRMI	9955
Sun 1615	WRMI	7385
Mon 0400	WBCQ	9330-CLSB
Mon 0515	WBCQ	7415 [time varies]
Mon 0930	WRMI	9955
Tue 1130	WRMI	9955
Tue 1630	WRMI	7385
Wed 0830	WRMI	9955

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** AFGHANISTAN [non]. R. Solh, 15265 via UK, Nov 25 at 1359 made a one-minute deadair pause followed by 4 minutes of talk, 1404 back to music, rap in English mixed in, but some cuts we don't remember hearing before. However, at 1424 was playing the bi-lingual one noted before, girl singer with heart throbbing, ``you are my only one``, etc. Scandalous (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ASIA [non]. NOTA: Sem desejar bater recordes, ou coisas deste gênero, este ano enviei 30 informes de recepção para a RFA (variedades de QSLs existentes na RFA, sempre h- novidades). Resultado: 30 confirmações recebidas! 100 % de respostas. Raro hoje em dia. Idiomas um tanto exóticos para a nossa realidade, como: laosiano, vietnamita, tibetano, ou coreano, todos os informes foram verificados e respondidos pela RFA (Rudolf Grimm, São Bernardo, SP, BRASIL, DXclubPR yg via DXLD) see also TURKEY

** AUSTRALIA. 4910, ABC Tennant Creek, 1028-1040 Nov 25. With a fair signal, noted male and female in English language news and comments and ID as "ABC". At 1035 popular music presented. So this is suppose to secure at 0830 UT and it's still up at 1035 on Sunday morning with a fair signal? (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston, Florida, NRD545, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4910, VL8A [sic], once again on very late, instead of having switched to 120m at 0830 Nov 25. That's fine with me, as hearing any of the NT stations on 2 MHz is quite problematical here. At 1331, 4910 was in ABC hourtop news, then sports. 1336 ID as ABC Alice Springs, then mentioned ABC Local Radio and Radio Australia for ``Sunday Night`` program. Fair and in the clear (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Oops, this is VL8T Tennant Creek as Chuck said. I never can remember which is which, and this one did ID as Alice! (gh, DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 5996.35, Radio Loyola, Sucre, 0915-0925, November 17, Spanish, TC: 15 de la mañana con 25 minutos en todo el país...í, Program conducted by male, 32422 (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, dxldyg via

DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 6000, R·dio Guaíba, Porto Alegre, 2245-2305, Nov 25, Portuguese talk. Fair but some weak co-channel QRM. Fair signal on // 11784.62 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. BRASIL - A R·dio Riomar, de Manaus (AM), acaba de lanÁar seu site na Internet <http://www.riomaronline.com.br> A dica É do biÔlogo Paulo Roberto e Souza, de TefÉ (AM).

BRASIL - As trís emissoras de Porto Alegre (RS) que transmitem em 25 metros est,,o ativas em tal faixa, conforme constataÁ,,o do colunista em 25 de novembro. A R·dio Guaíba tem excelente sintonia em 11785 kHz em boa parte do dia. A Super Rede Boa Vontade foi captada, ¢s 1721, em 11895 kHz, com sinal regular. J· a Ga'cha tinha regular sintonia, ¢s 1716, em 11915 kHz.

BRASIL - Desde Novo Hamburgo (RS), ...dison Bocorny J'nior observa que a R·dio CanÁ,,o Nova, de Cachoeira Paulista (SP), n,,o est· inativa em 9675 kHz. Segundo ele, o que ocorre É que a emissora "geralmente transmite durante o perÌodo da manh,,, cessa no inÍcio da tarde e volta mas ¢ tardinha" (CÉlio Romais, Panorama, @tividade DX Nov 25 via DXLD)

** CANADA. The CBC Northern Service on 9625 is currently peaking to a fair to good signal most days at around 1300+. The language then is unknown, and I assume will be INU as shown on EiBi listings for Inuktituk. But a clear enough ID for CBC mentioning Montreal was heard at 1330. Some days there is a co-channel station causing QRM (probably listed FEBC rather than Channel Africa). Their web site (as in the current WRTH) is comprehensive, but doesn't appear to contain a schedule of language transmissions (Noel Green, England, Nov 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. UNIDENTIFIED. Hi, I came across 18180 kHz at 0800 and later, with monotonous nonstop Chinese festival music. // 16750 and 21900. Does anybody know where it comes from? (Philip van de Paverd, New Zealand, Nov 25, primetimeshortwave yg via DXLD)

This is ``Firedrake`` jamming from PR China, in this case against the clandestine Sound of Hope. It's all over the bands too against other stations the Chicom don't like, including VOA and Radio Free Asia. As for the exact location, some sources put it on Hainan, but I think there are multiple sites inside China. 21900 is a third harmonic of 7300, while SOH actually uses those other far out-of-band frequencies and attracts the jamming. Sometimes 18180 shifts to 18160, which is inside a ham band, provoking the amateur intruder-watchers.

This has been discussed extensively in DX Listening Digest, which you

are invited to read, <http://www.worldofradio.com/dxldmid.html>
73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** CHINA. 4460, CNR-1, 1054-1105, Nov 23, Mandarin. OM and YL at tune-in. Pips/ID and CNR jingle music at 1100 followed by presumed news headlines and ads/promos thru tune-out. Poor as was // 4800 (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Nice opening to China around local nightfall yesterday evening. 3990, Xinjiang PBS, 0023, 11/27/07, listed Uighur. Long talk by F, brief music at 0027, then over to a male announcer. Theme music at 0030 followed by some more excited-sounding talk by F, perhaps an ad, then again back to M. Some QRM from hams on adjacent channels, // 4980 also heard with slightly better signal but hampered by severe CODAR interference. Mostly inaudible by 0040. Tough copy. Poor.

4220, Qinghai PBS, 2334, 11/26/07, listed Tibetan. Central Asian-sounding music (definitely not the Chinese pop one normally finds - often just one person singing with one or two instruments accompanying), a few promos or ads with alternating M/F announcers, and a M DJ in vernacular taking calls from listeners.

Song cut off in mid-lyric for 5+1 time pips at 0000, then possible ID in vernacular by F, followed by theme music and talk w/echo effects, and a long talk with music stingers - news? Possible ad at 0011, then back to the talk. Finally faded out around 0015. Fair with weak utility QRM.

5050, Guangxi FBS, 2320, 11/26/07, Vietnamese. East Asian pop songs with F announcer talk between. Obliterated by open carrier at 2327, followed a few min later by the Chatanooga Choo-Choo - apparently WWRB. // 9820 much better, but it too was blasted away by a carrier at 2331, presumably Cuba warming up. Poor (Mark Schiefelbein, MO, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nov 26 at 2314, 5050 has fluttery Vietnamese language signal. Per Aoki, that would be Guangxi FBS, Nanning, 15 kW at 225 degrees, not bad; but Aoki also has a conflict:

5050 GUANGXI FOREIGN BS 2300-0100 1234567 Vietnamese 15 225 Nanning
CHN 10811E2247 GUANG
5050 VOICE OF STRAIT 2225-2400 1234567 Chinese 50 140 Fuzhou CHN
11924E2606 VOS L b07

And I suppose VOS could have been in a Chinese dialect mistaken for Viet, but surely both of them are not really co-channel. Breaking the tie is EiBi, showing Guangxi only, but am still not convinced. HFCC is

useless for such Chinese domestic(?) services, showing neither.

Whatever, nice to hear FE on 60m after sunset. Moot at 2346, as 5050 wiped out by WWRB on early; see U S A.

Also had something in Chinese audible on 4800, Nov 27 at 0008 with CODAR. Per Aoki, this is CNR1 via Geermu (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 5860, presumed V. of Jinling-Nanjing, 1156-1202+, Nov 24, Mandarin. Instrumental music at tune-in. Announcer from 1159. Poor with big het from co-channel R. Farda-Kuwait (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. CHINA/KOREA: Crash and bang jammer 6170 at 2219. Heard presumed BBC Chinese via Kimjae when music quieted down. Jammer strong but flutter, probably from western China, staring at my azimuthal map. 26 Nov (Liz Cameron, MI dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. Surprise, surprise! Today, Monday, November 26, 2007 I received 2 QSL cards from CRI. Both cards are for reception on September 9, 2007, 9800 kHz DRM via Sackville, Canada. One card confirms 2300-2335 UT. The second card confirms 2302-2350. Both cards have my name written on them and both cards have "via Sackville". Strange part... my reception report was for 2300-2335. I believe I was mistakenly sent the 2302-2350 card. This card is for someone else's report. Nice to finally get a relay on a CRI QSL. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, VA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 1521 kHz, Urumqi/Hutubi. Logged for the first time since 1975! Variable signal but at times 54455! Heard through 1710 until now 1815. I can just about follow the Russian but there are enough clips of interviews of Chinese people to know this is the real thing! I trawled through all previous editions but failed to find Wolfie's entry remarking that the signal was increased possibly thanks to an antenna change. 73's (Dan Goldfarb, Brentwood, England, Nov 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. 6035, La Voz del Guaviare, San Jos  Guaviare; 0128-0145 27 November, 2007. Strong with endless string of commercials, brief babble about some event in Venezuela, more commercials and promos for programs, canned "R-C-N, La Voz del Guaviare" ID, more commercials and --- well, you get the point (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CROATIA. CROACIA, 9830, Voice of Croacia, 1230-1300, escuchada el

27 de noviembre en croata a locutor con entrevista a invitado, segmento de música pop, referencias al pop-rock, cuñas de ID, emisión de Hrvatska R. 2, emisión en paralelo por Internet, SINPO 34333. 9830 Voz de Croacia, 13:00-13:03, escuchada el 27 de noviembre en español locutora con presentación, locutor con boletín de noticias, pronóstico del tiempo. Esta emisión ya no se emite por Internet; anuncian próxima emisión 2330 y 0300 UT, SINPO 34433. Listado en el EiBi: 9830 1300-1303 Mo-Fr HRV Voice of Croatia S Eu (José Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Sangean ATS 909, Antena Radio Master A-108, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. Checking again for R. Republic's mystery frequency, 5954.1 ñ altho not heard a few days ago, just jamming, on Nov 26 I tuned in at 2223 and found it on the air with continuous lite vocal music, splash from WYFR 5950, no announcements 2223-2233+, and at 2245 when a het with something on 5955.0 was increasing. This music was nothing like RR programming, e.g. on 6135 at the same time, either talk or lively Cuban music, but it must be the same transmitter as on off-frequency, previously carrying RR after 2300. At 2256 lite jamming began to be heard mixing with the music; 2258, more jamming, less music, still het. Jamming dominated as usual after 2300 but could still detect carrier on 5954.1. At 0004 Nov 27, YL talk presumably RR audible under jamming, and not // RR on 6155. Need people to monitor 5954.1 as early as possible, maybe from 2200 during the musical prelude for any clues as to origin (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CZECHIA [non]. Re 7-142, Replying to our query about WRMI's new times for R. Prague relays: UT Tue-Sat only, 0000 English, 0030 Spanish, 9955 for both. This is in addition to the other RP broadcasts (Jeff White, WRMI, Nov 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. 6025.10, Radio Amanecer Int. 2150-2205, Nov 25, Spanish religious music. ID at 2200. "La Voz de Esperanza" program at 2201. Good (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6025.10v, R. Amanecer Internacional (presumed), Santo Domingo, 0109, Nov 26, briefly noted with "Noel", my first Christmas carol of the season on SW. Noted on slightly higher frequency from my last reception (Ron Howard, CA, EtÚn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. Radio CRI 3380 kHz Reactivación - Pruebas??

Escuchada el viernes 23 de noviembre desde las 2340 hasta salida del aire alrededor de las 0100, la emisora ecuatoriana Radio CRI (Centro Radiofónico de Imbabura) en 3380 con aceptable señal; presentando una excelente selección de música folclórica ecuatoriana. Por el tipo de programación sin conducción, con solo dos mensajes que repetían

continualmente, y la hora pregrabada, considero pueden tratarse de emisiones de pruebas, monitoreada ayer en la mañana-noche y hoy en la mañana pero sin señal. Los anuncios escuchados fueron:

".... Desde la provincia sur de los lagos(?) C R I Imbabura, Ecuador..." y "...usted puede comunicarse con nosotros llamando al teléfono 062612720, Radio C R I..." Buen DX (Rafael Rodríguez R., Bogotá D.C. - COLOMBIA, Nov 25, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Saludos amigo Rafael! Gracias por tu señalación:

3380.00, ECUADOR, CENTRO RADIOFONICO DE IMBABURA, LOS CEIBOS, IBARRA
"...telefono 062612720 Radio C R I..."

Reported by Rafael R. Rodriguez hrd in Colombia at 0100 the 23 November. (Prefix is +593) ".... Desde la provincia sur de los lagos(?) C R I Imbabura, Ecuador..."
<http://www.radio.cce.org.ec/?action=audioturismo>

Turismo en la provincia de Imbabura ---La provincia de Imbabura es denominada la provincia de los lagos. Uno de estos famosos lagos es el de San Pablo

Monferini searches on WEB :
<http://www.municipiodeibarra.org/imi/index.html>
info about Ibarra town (lot of informations)

more info :
http://www.radioestrelladelmar.com/Barra%20de%20navegacion/emisora_e_1.htm

RADIO CATOLICAS DEL ECUADOR REPORTS :
CRI ñ CORPORACI" N RADIOF" NICA DE IMBABURA
Director: Ing. Luis Adriano Calero
Calle Salinas 623 y Oviedo
Telf: 06-955 897 06-643 519
Ibarra - Prov. de Imbabura

Precedents reports about same station in HCDX WEB :
C.R.I. Centro Radiofónico de Imbabura.
C.R.I. AM, Calle Rio Chinchipe 396, Los Ceibos, Ibarra, Ecuador.
+593 06 955-897 (INFO FROM DX blog B.MALM 2001)(R.I.P.)
THIS TELEPHONE IS OLD ONE AND NO MORE IN USE.

6760.14 kHz, Centro Radiofónico de Imbabura, Ibarra, 30/Ene/2004 0100 UTC. (INFO FROM DX blog B. MALM 2004) (R.I.P.) [2x harmonic]

4609.99, Centro Radiofónico de Imbabura (B. MALM-Ecuador Mon, 02 Feb 2004) (R.I.P.) (via Dario Monferini, DXLD)

** ECUADOR. 15275 DRM, HCJB, 2143, 11/26/07, Spanish. Strong 20 dB signal of their usual programming and music in stereo. Signal suddenly nosedived at 2259 but didn't disappear completely, perhaps a change in antenna pattern. Per DRMNA yg, this was a special one-day test intended for local reception in Ecuador, but the main lobe of their steerable antenna ended up being aimed at western N. America (Mark Schiefelbein, MO, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Nominal power 4 kW (gh, DXLD)

** ECUADOR. 21455 USB, HCJB, La Voz de los Andes, 1150-1210, 24-11. Estupendo programa dedicado a las Islas Gal·pagos. Comentario sobre la electrificaci n de estas islas mediante energ as renovables. "Gal·pagos fue declarado Parque Nacional del Ecuador en 1959". "Les esperamos en nuestra pr xima cita con Gal·pagos". A las 1200 identificaci n: "Sintonizan HCJB, La Voz de los Andes, 690 kHz AM y 6050 kHz onda corta, la radio comprometida con el evangelio. Son las 7 de la ma ana, 6 de la ma ana en las Islas Gal·pagos". 34433. En paralelo con 11960 y 11690, con peor se al en estas  ltimas frecuencias (Manuel M endez, Lugo, Spain, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Excellent; always like to keep track of the Gal·pagos program, and Vozandes' website is no help when it comes to their SW program schedule. So this would be Sat 1145-1200, assuming it is still a quarter-hour. Here, the best frequency by far is 11960 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) {'Our Columbus Archipelago' they say (gh)}

** EGYPT. Operational B-07 schedule of Radio Cairo:

0700-1100	on 15115	ABZ 100 kW / 250 deg	Arabic GS	WeAf
1015-1215	on 15170	ABZ 250 kW / 090 deg	Arabic	ME/AFG
1100-2300	on 6290	ABZ 250 kW / 315 deg	Arabic GS	WeEu [see below]
1215-1330	on 17835	ABZ 250 kW / 090 deg	English	SoAs
1230-1400	on 15810	ABS 250 kW / 106 deg	Indonesian	SoEaAs
1300-1600	on 15285	ABS 250 kW / 241 deg	Arabic	WeAf
1330-1530	on 11560	ABZ 100 kW / 070 deg	Farsi	TJK
1430-1600	on 11620	ABS 250 kW / 061 deg	Pashto	AFG
1500-1600	on 6250	ABS 250 kW / 325 deg	Albanian	ALB
1500-1600	on 11540	ABZ 250 kW / 050 deg	Uzbek	UZB
1530-1730	on 17810	ABZ 100 kW / 170 deg	Swahili	CeEaAf
1600-1700	on 15155	ABZ 100 kW / 160 deg	Afar	EaCeAf
1600-1800	on 6225	ABS 250 kW / 005 deg	Turkish	TUR
1600-1800	on 6270	ABZ 250 kW / 090 deg	Urdu	SoAs
1600-1900	on 11740	ABZ 150 kW / 180 deg	English	CeSoAf
1700-1730	on 15155	ABZ 100 kW / 160 deg	Somali	EaCeAf
1730-1900	on 15155	ABZ 100 kW / 160 deg	Amharic	EaCeAf
1800-1900	on 6225	ABS 250 kW / 000 deg	Russian	WeRUS
1800-1900	on 6250	ABS 250 kW / 325 deg	Italian	WeEu
1800-2100	on 9420	ABS 250 kW / 241 deg	Hausa	WeAf
1900-2000	on 6250	ABS 250 kW / 325 deg	German	WeEu

1900-2030	on	15375	ABZ	100	kW	/	250	deg	English	WeAf
1900-0030	on	9960	ABZ	100	kW	/	160	deg	V of Arabs	CeEaAf
2000-2200	on	7325	ABZ	250	kW	/	090	deg	Arabic	AUS
2000-2115	on	6250	ABS	250	kW	/	325	deg	French	WeEu
2030-2230	on	9345	ABS	250	kW	/	241	deg	French	WeAf
2115-2245	on	6250	ABS	250	kW	/	325	deg	English	WeEu
2215-2330	on	9360	ABZ	250	kW	/	270	deg	Portuguese	SoAm
2300-0300	on	6290	ABS	250	kW	/	325	deg	Arabic GS	NoAm [see below]
2300-0430	on	9465	ABZ	250	kW	/	330	deg	Arabic	NoAmEa

[WRONG! 2300-2430 above is in ENGLISH. The same mistake was in a previously circulated version, and we pointed it out then; isn't anyone paying attention? --- gh]

2330-0045	on	9360	ABZ	250	kW	/	270	deg	Arabic	SoAm
2330-0045	on	9735	ABS	250	kW	/	241	deg	Arabic	SoAm
0045-0200	on	6140	ABS	250	kW	/	282	deg	Spanish	SoAm
0045-0200	on	7270	ABZ	250	kW	/	330	deg	Spanish	NoAm
0045-0200	on	9360	ABZ	250	kW	/	270	deg	Spanish	CeAm
0045-0200	on	9600	ABS	250	kW	/	252	deg	Spanish	SoAm
0200-0330	on	7270	ABZ	250	kW	/	330	deg	English	NoAm

(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Nov 26 via DXLD)

** EGYPT. Conclusion of R. Cairo English to Europe, 6250, somewhat different from previous log. Nov 26 at 2240 M announcer was closing with goodbye, and tinny national anthem; 2241 switched to tone for a semiminute which was well-modulated unlike the preceding programming! carrier off at 2242* with its characteristic pulsing of 5 or 6 times before going completely off.

DX Mix News, Bulgaria Nov 26 published an updated R. Cairo operational schedule, showing that the site switch on 6290 occurs at 2300 UT, instead of 0000. Nov 26 I was too busy monitoring other frequencies at 2300, but as I previously noted, the long overlap was not heard until 2350 when there was a subaudible het of maybe 20 Hz, Cairo vs. Cairo! Undermodulated audio in Arabic from the first site, ABZ to WEu at 315 degrees, underneath open carrier from the second site, ABS to NAm at 325 degrees, which was not clear from the ABZ carrier until 0002:40 Nov 27, also undermodulated, and distorted. So we wonder what else in that DX Mix schedule may be incorrect --- the 9465 entry, again, for starters (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 5005, RN-Bata, 2206-2235, Nov 23, vernacular/Spanish. Continuous Afropops and Spanish ballads. Weak but clear (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 6250, Radio Nacional (Malabo), 0601-0612, 11/19/2007, Spanish. Local pop music with short announcement by woman. Apparent news by man with mention of Malabo and Bata, and segments

from field reporters. Moderate signal (SINPO 34333) until abrupt disappearance in mid-sentence at 0612. First log of this station in many years (Jim Evans, TN, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD) All previous logs of this were on Nov 17 morning, so here's another date it was active; but none since? (gh, Nov 27, DXLD)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 15190, 25.11 0900, Radio Africa (?) inget ID h^rt men det torde vara denna station med inspelade religi^sa program fr^n USA. 2 CB (Christer Brunstr^m, Sweden, SW Bulletin via DXLD)

We have a hard time nailing this one down as definitely active. But nothing else is listed at this hour on 15190 per Aoki and EiBi; missing from HFCC. Unlike at 10-11, beware, when there is CRI in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 6030, Voice of Tigray Revolution (tentative), 0506, 11/26/07. M announcer speaking in rapid-fire vernacular w/cuts to interviews, etc. like a news report. Into music selections at 0516 with instrumental accompaniment vaguely reminiscent of Middle-Eastern music. Basically gone into the noise by 0525, when I started to hear bits of country-western from CFVP instead. Logged on R Marti/jamming's UT Monday break. Started fair/poor but rapidly went downhill (Mark Schiefelbein, MO, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. Radio Ethiopia: Good reception on 7110 recently. Particularly good today, Monday, November 26 from after 1900 UT through to close down at 2100 with presumed national anthem. Lots of local music. Parallel 9704 and 5990 were audible but weak.

Also today Radio Fana (presumed) with similar music on 6110 was heard with a very strong signal on top of BBC Arabic. Parallel 7210 was barely audible. Suddenly off at 2101 in the middle of a musical item (Bernie O'Shea, Ottawa, Ontario, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 9704.18, Radio Ethiopia, Gedja, 2005-2100*, Nov 24, local pop music. Talk in Amharic. Neat sounding local pop music. Sign off with National Anthem. Must use ECSS-LSB to avoid splatter on high side. Fair on // 7110-good level but some occasional co-channel QRM & adjacent channel splatter (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. DW Amharic service via Rwanda may have moved from 15660 to 15620. Nov 25 at 1420 found nothing but noise on 15660, despite 15665 WHRA which was not too strong this Sunday, but on 15620, German language lessons. I think the jammers already found it, as some noise mixed in. At 1510 recheck, 15620 was in Russian, which is DW via Sines, Portugal from 1500.

Aoki and EiBi have a 1330-1500 gap in DW's usage of 15620, so that

would be a good fit as a new 14-15 Amharic frequency. However HFCC also has this:

15620 1330 1430 40E,41NW WOF 250 82 1234567 281007 300308 D DIVERSE G
DWL DWL 1898

But that's not for Ethiopia, instead Afghanistan, in Dari & Pashto per Nov 21 update at <http://www.bclnews.it/b07schedules/dw.htm>

And since I did not check between 1430 and 1500 I can't be sure what I heard was really Amharic staying on past 1430. I have a hard time recognizing Amharic just by listening, unless there is an ID starting with ``Yih ---``. Can someone suggest some other common and distinctive words to listen out for? The same could be said for Pashto, which may have been what I was really hearing. Possibly as a counter-jamming tactic, DW has swapped the Pashto and Amharic frequencies? Europeans, please check this out on Monday.

Jumping thru DW website hoops, I finally came to this Amharic frequency page:

http://www2.dw-world.de/static/language/amharic/amha_program.pdf

But according to its dating, it is at best, A-07 info showing 11645 and 15410, and the ``1999`` and ``2000`` in it worry me (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No, - 15620 is free, Woofferton 15620 deleted from Nov 11, and replaced Nov 9th by Moosbrunn 13855 kHz in Pa/Da to Afghanistan. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nov 26 check: nothing audible on 15660, 15640, but definitely DW Amharic on 15620 at 1427, no jamming heard, but noise could be there obscured by local high noise level. 1432 DW theme and ID, so it is the almost-hour broadcast starting at 1400, ex-15660. Since I am no longer hearing it on 15660, and propagation favors Rwanda, I suspect 15620 is now Rwanda, but Wolfgang B,schel says they are still on 15660, 15640, 11645 as well as 15620, so that makes four frequencies instead of the original two for this now jammed transmission.

However, after 1500, 15620 came back on with DW in Russian as previously scheduled via Sines. Trouble is, after initial ID at hourtop there was dead air for two minutes; then they fished around for program feed, brought up something (DW or BBC?) in English news at 1502, fading it out and back in; finally found Russian at 1503, joined in progress. Anyhow, this means I can't rule out the DW Amharic service earlier on 15620 as also via Sines now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Solar-terrestrial indices for 25 November follow. Solar flux 71 and mid-latitude A-index 13. The mid-latitude K-index at 1500 UTC on 26 November was 1 (9 nT). No space weather storms were observed for the

past 24 hours. No space weather storms are expected for the next 24 hours (SWPC via DXLD)

DWL Amharic Monday Nov 26, 1400-1500 UT --- 4 ! - FOUR channels used today. No jamming heard so far, but living far away - some 5500 kilometers north of the target. Additional 15620 kHz which is the strongest, best audio in main lobe I guess, like a 500 kW unit from Rampisham England. 11645 Kigali, 15640 Trincomalee, 15660 Kigali. PS: and DWL Pashto/Dari still on 9380 Yerevan and Lviv, 12090 Trincomalee and 13855 Moosbrunn (Wolfgang B,schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Same result here (southern England) this afternoon: DW Amharic on four frequencies, and no jamming heard on any of them. Let's see what happens to VOA Oromo/Amharic/Tigrinya tonight (Chris Greenway, 1520 UT Nov 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DWL Amharic Tuesday Nov 27, 1400-1500 UT: 4 FOUR channels used today. Additional 15620 kHz Sines or Kigali?, which is the strongest, but DWL also on 11645 Kigali, 15640 Trincomalee - weak today, 15660 Kigali.

Strongest jamming noted here on 15660 today, covered DWL in total of 95%, also Ethiopians jammed 11645 and 15620 kHz, but not 15640 kHz. So I guess, they have 3 jamming tx units at their disposal? 73 wolfy (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, Nov 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, all four outlets were also audible in the NW of England. And as in Stuttgart, 15640 (no jamming heard) was the weakest of them all, and the loudest jamming was on 15660. I couldn't make up my mind if 15620 was being jammed as there appeared to be excessive sidebands on this frequency, and I couldn't detect the noise from the jammer spreading [?] KHZ wide as on 15660 and 11645. If any frequency is via the UK it would have to be 15640 as the others were much too strongly heard. 73 (Noel R. Green, UK, Nov 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nov 27 check of DW Amharic and jamming: at 1445, 15620 again by far the best, no jamming audible. Unlike the day before, DW barely audible on 15660 under heavy noise jamming, and seemed almost synchronized with 15620. Also audible under noise on 11645. Not audible on 15640, which is reported still to be active; that makes sense here as that is Sri Lanka relay. Jamming on 15660 lasted until 1501; just as I switched on BFO to be sure, heard one of those ute data bursts, perhaps unrelated (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Solar-terrestrial indices for 26 November follow. Solar flux 72 and mid-latitude A-index 10. The mid-latitude K-index at 1500 UTC on 27 November was 1 (5 nT). No space weather storms were observed for the past 24 hours. No space weather storms are expected for the next 24

hours (SWBC via DXLD) See also GERMANY

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FROM VOANEWS.COM: VOA Amharic, Oromo Shows Jammed; Ethiopia Denies Responsibility

By Peter Heinlein Addis Ababa 26 November 2007

Taken from <http://www.voanews.com/english/2007-11-26-voa48.cfm>

Short wave radio monitors have confirmed that VOA broadcasts to Ethiopia in the Amharic and Afan Oromo languages have been jammed for the past two weeks. VOA Correspondent in Addis Ababa Peter Heinlein reports Ethiopia's government denies responsibility for the interference.

Listeners to VOA's Amharic Service began complaining about November 12 that they could not hear the one-hour nightly broadcast. Amharic is the language of commerce and the main official language in Ethiopia.

In recent days, the reports from listeners and monitors confirmed that all five short-wave frequencies used by VOA are being jammed. Broadcasts by the other major western broadcaster in Amharic, Germany's Deutsche Welle, have also been blocked.

The BBC monitoring service says its experts have determined that the direction from which the jamming originates indicates the signals are being transmitted from within Ethiopia.

In a telephone interview with VOA, Ethiopia's Information Ministry spokesman Zemedkun Tekle says he doubts the government is involved in jamming.

"I do not think this one is true. Of course I have seen the media reporting saying that, but we do not need, the government does not need to waste its time on doing so," he said. "I myself have not come across audiences who are saying so, but the relevant body may speak on the details, but I do not think this story is true."

The two Amharic Service broadcasts are known to have a substantial audience in the Ethiopian capital, which is a hot bed of anti-government sentiment.

Monitors also report jamming of VOA's Oromo Service, which broadcasts on the same frequencies. Oromo is the language spoken by Ethiopia's largest ethnic group.

Ethiopia is known to be blocking broadcasts from its neighbor and rival Eritrea. Monitors report the jamming has intensified in recent weeks, as tensions have risen along their disputed border.

A status report issued by the umbrella organization that oversees Voice of America, the Broadcasting Board of Governors, says VOA broadcasts to Ethiopia have previously been jammed during civil unrest in 2005, but the jamming was stopped in mid-2006.

The Voice of America is a multi-media international broadcasting service funded by the U.S. government. VOA broadcasts more than 1,000 hours of news and other programming every week to an estimated worldwide audience of more than 115 million people (via Dragan Lekic, Serbia, Nov 26, dxldyg via DXLD)

Who else broadcasts in Amharic and might also be jammed? The ADDX file of Amharic broadcasts shows numerous gospel huxters, besides clandestines, but DW and VOA are the only major broadcasters left in Amharic, except Israel: 1900 1935 ISR Kol Israel 6985 9345; bis 31.12 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FINLAND [and non]. 6125, 22.11 1800, Family Radio via Pori med samma knarriga gubbe som brukar h^ras via Moskva-1503. Kl 1900 h^rdes samma program pÅ 6130 och // 963. ÷verraskande dÅligt pÅ kortvÅg ñ kanon pÅ mellanvÅg. BEFF (Bj^rn Fransson, Sweden, SW Bulletin via DXLD)

Re: ``I guess 963 starts at 1900 so you were a bit early? Jari``

Yes, this seems to be the case. Today nothing around 1830, but at 1859 recheck 963 was on with Family Radio in English. Rather poor signal though, not what it used to be when carrying Radio Finland. The same bassy-voice preaching was heard around 1830 on 6125, and at 1900 it had moved to 6130, badly mixing with co-channel Voice of Russia (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Nov 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Radio 700, next act: In the still ongoing Mysnip discussion (which meanwhile gets a tendency to "we should consider it as a pirate station and accordingly delete this thread, as required by our terms of use") somebody brought up a photo where they are showing up the frequency allocation issued by Bundesnetzagentur: <http://radio700.de/grafik/kurzwelle/pressefoto.jpg>

"Frequenz 6005 kHz, Sender Euskirchen, Rundfunkdienst". That's all. No technical specifications, no reference to a specific site (other than the studio location), no nothing. Well, one needs not only a frequency allocation but also an authorization for "operation of transmission networks" (Sendernetzbetrieb) for FM and all the digital systems, and I would indeed be surprised if this is not necessary for shortwave broadcasting (the website of Bundesnetzagentur, which could provide an answer, is down right now).

Apparently Radio 700 operates with a licence from Landesanstalt f,ur Kommunikation of Baden-W,rttemberg rather than from Landesanstalt f,ur Medien of Nordrhein-Westfalen (where they have their seat). This appears to be a kind of licence called Medienf,hrerschein, it is an authorization to broadcast but does not include the allocation of a frequency (which is another matter than the telcom-wise allocation from Bundesnetzagentur, but the media authorities do not regulate the use of shortwave frequencies, only MW/LW, FM and all the digital stuff). LFK indeed mentions shortwave for Radio 700, but also FM, although these are inhouse-only frequencies:
http://www.lfk.de/cgi-bin/senderdb/show_sender.pl?art=1&id=7510&t=4
<http://www.ukwrtv.de/sender-tabelle/UKW/Deutschland/Nordrhein-Westfalen.htm#Clarholz>

Oh dear (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Nov 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Research done: Frequency allocations for LW/MW/SW are indeed meant to be rather unspecific and applicants are supposed to provide evidence of their "competence" and "reliability".

The ridiculous "put up or shut up" discussion meanwhile led to cryptic references to this site near the village of Krekel, a good 20 km southwest of Euskirchen:
<http://maps.google.de/?ie=UTF8&ll=50.478114,6.523368&spn=0.002523,0.005021&t=k&z=18&om=1>

Allegedly a transmitter capable to run "a three-figure amount of kilowatts" is installed here (R,th-Krekel):
<http://forum.mysnip.de/read.php?8773,543164,544139,sv=1#msg-544139>

Another posting reassures that the shortwave antenna is indeed there, just invisible on the Google imagery.

An experienced media journalist is behind this pseudonym, and more of these cryptic references were posted by a person well known in the shortwave broadcasting industry. So let's discuss this claim seriously:

The observed signal strength clearly pointed at a power in the mentioned range, thus at a professional broadcasting transmitter, not just some utility gear being abused to squeeze out a few kilowatts of AM (i.e. full carrier DSB). So about the only explanation would be some kind of emergency/wartime backup, installed during the Cold War hysteria as a means to keep a broadcasting service on shortwave available (probably with domestic coverage on 49 metres in mind) and still kept in operational condition. If so I would no longer have to wonder about the audio processing of this transmission, which reminded

me of something: Yes, I think Deutsche Welle used to sound this way more than 20 years ago, before the current gear (primarily the Optimod 9105A processors) replaced the audio chains in use back then.

But one big question still remains: How can this radio group get access to such a transmitter? That's almost unbelievable. And who runs the transmitter for them, how could they explain to Bundesnetzagentur that they are competent to do so? (If Bundesnetzagentur really required them to provide evidence; the paper in question also stipulates that the frequency allocation is to be announced in their official notifications [Amtsblatt], but I could not spot any such posting.)

Of course there is also another possibility: The Krekel story these two gentlemen were told is just a fairytale, or outspoken, a lie. Enough time wasted on this story (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Nov 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very good reception here in Bulgaria for Europa Radio 700 in German: 1000-1200 on 6005 (55544) on Saturday Nov. 24. No transmission Sunday Nov. 25!! (DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Nov 26 via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Russian on 13755, Nov 27 at 1503 with heavy echo. HFCC says this is VOR via Wertachtal, 125 kW at 120 degrees. Suspect both long and short paths being heard (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTNEING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. Close-downs --- >>> If I remember it right, Germany is closing down analog TV region by region. Here's a link to a Youtube video of one of the closedowns:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gNvDrxATCHw>
I hope when we close down our analog transmitters, we do it with a bit more ceremony than the Europeans <<<

Not "the Europeans" in general, just the Langenberg transmitter site in particular. The engineers there had even been asked if they could put the test card with station ID on the air for a last time before shutting down the transmitter, something that could have been done without any trouble. But they replied that they were not authorized to do so. True Germans :-(

However, other transmitter engineers did such things, and the Grunten site of Bayerischer Rundfunk will top them all tonight, before shutting down their ch. 2 transmitter at 8 AM: They will broadcast a slideshow as a farewell, starting at 1 AM.

What should also be added is that in many cases the analogue signals were immediately replaced by DVB-T on the very same frequencies. Thus

no ceremonies since it was merely a matter of keeping the break as short as possible.

And apparently nobody watched the shut-down of the traditional VHF signal in our region, ch. 10 from Dresden. I did not, and I did not see any other reports. So I don't know if they just cut the carrier like Langenberg did or if they bid a last farewell with their own test card or something like that. Definitely no farewell for our other VHF signal, ch. 4 from Calau, this time for a simple reason: It disappeared already 20 years ago, replaced by ch. 53, no matter that many TV sets in use at this time needed a converter to receive it at all because they could not tune beyond ch. 39. Previously the old ch. 4 had been used even in the Kamenz area, just 30 km away from Dresden, because ch. 10 suffered from severe ghosting there. And don't even ask about analogue TV from the Dresden tower in the Elbe valley: Huge fieldstrength but just an unwatchable mess, forcing the installation of many repeaters in the Sächsische Schweiz mountains.

Speaking about ceremonies: In how many cases did somebody take an initiative for a farewell programme on a transmitter to be shut down, only to get this initiative verboten? I'm aware of Berlin 567 (farewell broadcast banned at really high management level when work on it was already underway and the studio to be used had been determined) as well as Mhlacker 6030 and Rohrdorf 7265 (initiative turned down in an early stage). (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Nov 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. DW Amharic and jamming: see ETHIOPIA [and non]

Ludger Schadomsky is head of DWL's Amharic service, see picture on <http://www.eurobrain.info/dw/article/0,2144,2275677,00.html> or <http://www.dw-world.de/dw/article/0,2144,2968581,00.html> <http://blogs.rnw.nl/medianetwork/ludger-schadomsky-new-head-of-dw-amharic-service> <http://www.dw-3d.de/dw/article/0,2144,2292935,00.html> (Wolfgang B. Schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. Glenn: "Greeks In Style" with Adrianna in English was heard here on UT Monday at 0005-0105 on 7475 and 9420. From 0300 to 0400 UT the show "It's All Greek To Me" seems to be an interview affair with snippets of English from the interviewee. There was quite a bit of atmospheric disturbance on both frequencies, and I couldn't figure out what the subject was, but it seemed to be the life story of a writer and the awards that she received. The show should have been entitled - "It's Mostly Greek To Me With Some English!" (John Babbis, Silver Spring MD, Nov 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE [and non]. Avlis-3 9420 has been off air at least the last couple of days when tuned at around 1300, leaving the frequency clear

for CRI-1 followed at 1400 by the changeover to CNR-8 programmes beginning with Kazakh. I found Avlis-3 back on air by 1530. This transmitter has lately been causing very loud hash in it's sidebands, but now sounds much better. Perhaps it's been under maintenance? (Noel R. Green (NW England), Nov 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUATEMALA [and non]. 4780, R. Coat'n, Nov 26 at 2348 bible reading in Spanish, but also with fast SAH rippling the frequency, besides CODAR. Nothing else known anywhere on 4780 except Djibouti, so I wonder if they left their carrier on very late. At 0007 recheck the SAH was gone.

R. Verdad, 4052.5, Nov 26 at 2346 with timecheck 14<18, hymn; fair (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUIANA FRENCH. TDF DRM, 17870-17875-17880, again being heard at its previous level, so suspect the antenna is once again toward NAM rather than Eu, Mon Nov 26 at 1523, but is it still RFO Guyane programming? O, this was the special for Ecuador as in DRM DX for this date only: 1330-1930 11/26 17875 260 Ecuador 150 TDF F French Montsinery French Guiana. TDF DRM test gone again from 17870-17875-17880, nothing heard Nov 27 at 1449 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HAWAII. 9930, KWHR, 1100-1105, Nov 25 (Sun.), in English, Norma Bonds religious program, fair. Checking to see if Open Radio North Korea (ORNK) ever added their weekend schedule, as was mentioned back in June. http://www.nkradio.com/eng/sub.html?s=2_2 continues to show ORNK still on from Monday to Friday, 8 PM - 9 PM [Pyongyang Standard Time] [11 UT - 12 UT] on 9930. Why the long delay in implementing a weekend schedule? (Ron Howard, CA, EtÛn E5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also KOREA NORTH [non]

** INDONESIA. 9680, RRI Jakarta, 1007-1027, Nov 25 (Sun.), in English, KGRE program #5702 presented by Sue, Maggie and Kevin, talks about the KGRE anniversary BBQ, played pop Indonesian songs, fair, light QRM (WYFR in French). Propagation this year has indeed been different. In past years when WYFR switched to this frequency, it was usually goodbye to RRI & KGRE, but not this year. Some days now it is hard to tell if WYFR is even under RRI (Ron Howard, CA, EtÛn E5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. 6010, VOIRI, 1927-1952+, Nov 25, tune-in to lite instrumental music. English programming with National Anthem at 1930 followed by opening English announcements. Koran at 1933-1936. English news at 1938-1951. Fair. Better on // 7320. Threshold signal on // 11695 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. (DPR), 4450, KCBS-Pyongyang, 1048-1106, Nov 24,

Korean. OM and YL at tune-in. Choral/anthem-like music at 1057. Presumed ID with pips at 1100 followed by more OM and YL thru tune-out. Poor but improving (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. 6285, KCBS (or Voice of Korea); *1231-1249* 24 November, 2007. Happened to be idling on this channel when this popped up abruptly with classical music filler, Korean male briefly, into opera. Clear and fairly decent copy. Not sure which service this really is per so many conflicting logs and reference entries, not that there's really any difference in the scope of reality (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 9930, Open Radio for North Korea (ORNK) via Hawaii (KWHR), 1112-1131, Nov 26, in Korean with Korean ballad, Russian folk song, segment in English and Korean with news items (Mayor still missing after boat capsized this weekend, plans for a Bruce Lee theme park in Hong Kong, etc.), poor to fair, no jamming noted (Ron Howard, CA, EtUn E5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
ORNK: see also HAWAII

** LAOS. 4678, Regional station Xam Neua (listed), observed times 0000-0030 relay Nat R Vientiane, 0030 own program to 0215 fade-out. 0900/0930-1300; very often with (for our ears) monotonous a-cappella singing by YL; fair level here.

6130, National Radio Vientiane observed sign-on 2156 with sung anthem (presumed) and announcements including frequencies, off at 2322; at 0008 on again and observed to 0430, then 0745-1530*, but possibly continuous; local station level here (Gerhard Werdin, touring in and around Chiang Mai in N Thailand, wwdxc BC-DX Nov 24 via DXLD)

** LIBERIA. 4760, ELWA Radio, 2238-2303*, Nov 23, English. Same format as logged on Nov 14th; religious music until OM at 2300 with ID and sign-off announcements. NA at 2301. Weak/poor (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBYA. 17725, V. of Africa, 1422-1455, Nov 22, English. OM at tune-in with MLK bio, news re Islamic conference in Libya. Reading from "The Green Book" at 1437 followed commentary praising the African people and a profile on Mauritanie. Fair. // 21695 fair-poor (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) So they have moved on from Mauritius? Going in reverse alfa order? (gh, DXLD)

** LITHUANIA. LITUANIA, 6235 KBC Radio, 2218-2230, escuchada el 24 de noviembre en inglés a locutor con ID, cuñas de identificación, música de los años 60, SINPO 45333 (José Miguel Romero, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Quiere decir 6255, o cambio a 6235?? (Glenn, ibid.)

Saludos Glenn, 6235 KBC Radio, probablemente ha cambiado de frecuencia y ha dejado los 6255 (José Miguel Romero, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Probably to avoid Cairo 6250 (gh)

Saludos cordiales, hoy 25 de noviembre estoy escuchando en 6280 a KBC Radio a las 2140 UT; tengo la duda del lugar de transmisión, se supone que sea via Lituania, pero este servicio se anuncia a las 2200 UT por 6255, y ayer sábado fue captada en 6235, ¿A qué puede deberse estos cambios? (José Miguel Romero, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KBC Radio, new schedule --- <http://www.kbcradio.eu/>

Friday evening on Shortwave The Original Wolfman Jack Radio Show
6235 kHz 100 kW 259 deg. Winter: 2200-2259 UT

Saturday evening on Medium Wave 1386 kHz 500 kW Omnidirectional
Winter: 2200-2300 UT

Saturday evening Shortwave 6235, 100 kW, 259 deg. Winter: 2200-2259 UT
Sunday morning Shortwave 6255, 100 kW, 310 deg. Winter: 0100-0159 UT
(via Romero, ibid.) But no mention of 6280 where JMR2 also heard (gh)

** LITHUANIA. Winter B-07 the actual Sitkunai schedule:
0630-0728 7545 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in Italian
0900-0958 9710 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu Radio Vilnius in Lith./English
1430-1528 6225 100 kW / 079 deg to EaEu VOIROI/IRIB in Russian
1530-1728 5815 100 kW / 079 deg to EaEu Radio Racja in Belarussian
1730-1928 6265 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in German/French
1930-2128 6225 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu VOIROI/IRIB in English/Spanish
2200-2258 6235 100 kW / 259 deg to WeEu KBCRadio Mx in English Fri/Sat
2300-2358 7325 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm Radio Vilnius in Lith./English
0000-0058 9875 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm Radio Vilnius in Lith./English
0100-0158 6235 100 kW / 310 deg to NoAm KBCRadio Mx in English Sun
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Nov 26 via DXLD) What about 6280 KBC? (gh)

** MEXICO. Radio UNAM (860 Mexico City) question --- Does anyone know how to get radio Unam (Mex City) online stream? I found this, but my Spanish is not very good and I am wondering if this is the actual online link.

I had opera from 2345 EST to 0002, then CBC got too noisy for decent listening (though the station seemed to switch to electronic).
Is this the right site? <http://www.carpenoitem.com.mx/>

(Saul Chernos, Ont., IRCA et al. via DXLD)

No, that's about a particular program, which looks very interesting, so they speak Latin in DF too --- ``Take advantage of the night``. That would be an excellent motto for us DXers! It seems Radio UNAM has reworked its website so the old URL no longer works. Now the home page is <http://www.radiounam.unam.mx/htm/index.htm> which leads to audio linx, program schedules, etc.

XEUN has recently reactivated its // SW outlet on 9599.2v, on the air most but not all of the time, so you don't necessarily need a webstream to //. But look out for Cuba which uses 9600.0 much of the time, approximately 1100-1300 and 0000-0500 UT (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. R UNAM, 9599.25, at 2208 26 Nov in Spanish with classical music. Causing nasty het, probably Vatican Radio in Chinese but I didn't really hear that (Liz Cameron, Shortwave Obsession: <http://www.geocities.com/alera1/> Radioblond Blog: <http://radioblond.blogspot.com/> dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9599.26v, Radio UNAM (presumed), Mexico City, 0114, Nov 26, briefly noted with classical music, down slightly from my last reception on .30, best in LSB (Ron Howard, CA, EtUn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Still looking for more from XEXQ 6045, but nothing audible Nov 25 at 0630 or 1330. Nor Nov 26 at 1425, 2215.

But XEXQ was audible on 6045 when rechecked Nov 26 at 2249, classical music with co-channel in Chinese, i.e. VOA Udorn, 30 degrees during this hour only and/or Chicom jamming. 2300 Spanish announcements but could not make them out, with increased QRM from CRI Sackville in English on 6040; 2305 classical music. Fair at times depending on amount of splash from 6040. 0038 recheck more classical, now ACI from 6040 CRI Sackville in Chinese (not English as in Aoki); could not detect co-channel from IBC Tamil, ESE from Wertachtal which recently moved to 6045 during this hour only. But prime is not the best time to listen to XEXQ (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

XEXQ, 6045 on the air again, let us hope to stay, Nov 27 at 1405 and 1458 chex with classical music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Following answers some questions we previously raised (gh)

Nuevamente al aire XEXQ onda corta en los 6045 kHz; en estos momentos 2022 UT (14:22 del centro de MEXico) se escucha con un SINPO de 4 aqui en la Cd. de MEXico. Hicieron algunos ajustes el fin de semana y no

salieron al aire puesto que se present  una tormenta el ctrica en el
rea de la Cd. de San Luis Potos , M xico. Estar al aire durante
algunas horas m s este d a y probablemente a partir de ma ana en su
horario regular.

Los tres transmisores (OC, OM y FM) se encuentran en la misma planta,
en un lugar en donde anteriormente hab a un bachillerato de la
Universidad de San Luis Potos  denominado "Fresnos". La frecuencia de
onda media (1190 kHz) viene emple ndose desde hace mas de dos a os.
Anteriormente utilizaban el 1460 kHz. 73 s (Juli n Santiago D ez de
Bonilla, DF, Nov 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. I noticed that KBRT-740 [Avalon, Catalina] has had their
IBOC turned off the last few days. Now I can hear XEEBC-730 again, but
unfortunately they recently switched from the "inolvidable" rom ntica
format to "comadre" out-of-tune oompah music (both formats are from
Radio ACIR), probably a result of the Inspector Clouseaus of the SCT
shutting down the legitimate XESDD-920 in Ensenada (which sometimes
played the style of music now heard on XEEBC) while allowing the
fraudulent XESDD-1030 to stay on the air in Tijuana just 10 miles away
from KURS-1040. 73, (Tim Hall, Chula Vista CA, Nov 26, ABDX via DXLD)

** MOROCCO. 5980, RTM Arabic relay via IBB Briech site at 0000-0500
UT. 250 kW at 83 degrees to Algeria, Tunisia, Malta, Cyprus, Tel Aviv,
Kuwait (Wolfgang B schel, Germany, Nov 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

N.B., as this occasionally flummoxes intuners, since RTM transmissions
are unlisted in HFCC, unlike IBB Briech; and resultantly, e.g.
Budapest uses same at 01-02, collidingly (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** MYANMAR. 5040, Minority Service; observed 0745-1520+ with word
program and local music, always with a distinct hum/drone which; fair
level

5770, Defence Forces R; monitored transmission times are: 0130-0430,
0730-0930, 1130-1530 UT.

A typical sign-on procedure as observed on 21.11 was like this:

1126 carrier tone

1129 melody on wooden xylophone-type instrument(s) for 45 sec or
shorter

1130 announcements (ID?) by mostly female voice in Burmese/local lang

1132 melody on gongs/drums accompanied by flute for approx 1 min

1133 announcements again

1134 march-like melody for approx. 30 seconds, ending abruptly

At sign-off this procedure is repeated !

Program consists of occasional talk, but largely of Burmese

adaptations of western pop and country music, e.g. ABBA's "Super Trooper" or "The Young Ones" (was it Paul Anka?)

During periods of silence, sometimes SSB traffic observed. Local station level here.

5985, National R; observed transmission times 0030-0130 and 0900/0930-1530+ on 21.11. with English program at 1522. [starting 1430?]

7185, National R; on 24.11 at 0210 observed with English pop music, at 0230 English news, e.g. on ASEAN summit in Singapore, where "ASEAN leaders kow-towed again to the Burmese Junta" (quote Bangkok Post).

At 0240 western rap music (no Burmese adaptations) with two canned announcements in between, one saying a.o. "BBC lying, VOA deceiving", the other denouncing protesters as "criminals and opportunists", at 0259 end of program announcement in English and Burmese, 0300 silent.

9730, National R; on 24.11. at 0730 no English program observed as per schedule, transmission silent (Gerhard Werdin, touring in and around Chiang Mai in N Thailand, wwdxc BC-DX Nov 24 via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. Re 7-142, RNZI Marine Weather Forecasts

Hi Glenn, The marine weather forecast you complain about in DXLD 7-142 is broadcast over the domestic service RNZ National [relayed by RNZI at the time you mention] and is of value to many New Zealanders, including those not directly affected by any specific area. These include commercial and recreational fishermen, boaties, commercial coastal shipping services, trampers near coastlines, conservation and research staff on isolated islands around the coast [we do have many more inhabited islands than just the North and South Islands], and the families and friends of the people mentioned earlier. Perhaps people who live inland in places like Oklahoma simply don't appreciate the need to understand weather conditions in a maritime environment. Warm regards, (David Ricquish, Wellington, New Zealand, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Was not really complaining, actually found it quite fascinating, but would have needed a good chart and glossary to make sense of it here. No doubt it is of great interest and importance to those along the coast or who know someone in those areas, and certainly appropriate on RNZ domestic frequencies, but I still think it strange that it's on an external SW service to the (other) Pacific islands. But then, RNZI defaults most of its time to RNZ (domestic), which gives us a chance to hear it. O, we certainly know the importance of understanding weather conditions, in our case a plains/tornadic environment (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 4835, B07 0200-0400, 1300-1800 UT Radio Pakistan News & Current Affairs Channel --- Radio Pakistan launched its News and Current Affairs channel in 2001. It is available on shortwaves for B07 at 4835 kHz via Islamabad transmitter API-4 (100 kW). The transmission is in Urdu and English languages. The English transmission is available at 0300-0400 and 1600-1700 UT. It is heard in Pakistan and the neighboring countries.

In addition to shortwave, the channel is relayed on medium wave frequencies by Islamabad, Lahore, Peshawar, Karachi, Quetta and some other domestic stations. The new medium wave transmitters and frequencies of Radio Pakistan Lahore, Peshawar and Quetta 1332, 1170, 1134 kHz respectively, are being used for the relay of this channel.

At the launch of this channel it was hoped that some objectivity in news coverage would take place but even after passage of six years the standard of news coverage is similar to any Asian or African state broadcaster. The overall news content is also similar to mainstream Radio Pakistan, which questions the justification of establishing a separate set-up. R. Pakistan could make use of the idle time of these new MW transmitters for relaying external services for neighbouring countries on medium wave (Aslam Javaid, Lahore, Pakistan, Nov 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** POLAND [non]. 9450, R Polonia (via Wertachtal), 1300, 11/26/07, English. Polish/eastern European news, an interview w/the conductor of the Polish Radio Orchestra (how many state broadcasters still have their own orchestra??), then a feature about young Poles looking for work abroad in the EU. Fair but fading (Mark Schiefelbein, MO, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. 6240, Radio PMR/DMR, monitored off and on Nov 26-27 while checking other things. Tune-in 2325 in French, 2330 changing into German, 2344 concluding German mentioning ``Republik Moldaus`` (Moldau? not to be confused with the river in Czechia), and off at 2345*. Figured that was all, so did not check at 0000, but ran across 6240 on again at 0024 and once more in French, and another switch to German at 0030-0045*. There was occasional QRM de big ute data bursts lasting a few seconds. I assume that there is English M-F at 2300-2315 and 0000-0015, French at 2315-2330 and 0015-0030, German at 2330-2345 and 0030-0045 Tue-Sat. Mike Barracrough, England was monitoring at the same time and did hear English at 2300 and 2400. Christopher Lewis first reported English at 2300 on Nov 22, but I have missed it so far. Station mentioned in French/German that it broadcasts to Europe and North America. At this hour surely for NAM, a newly revived service, and another odd case of one country broadcasting to another country in a language native to neither. Why don't they broadcast in Romanian

during the final quarter hour? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio PMR noted November 26th opening at 2300 in English on 6240 to 2305 tune out, English heard again at 0000 on 6240 followed at 0015 by French, same programme as heard today on 7370 at the times in Edwin's report (Mike Barracrough, England, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MOLDOVA, 6240, Just noted PMR Grigoriopol Maiac in German language at 2330-2344 UT, transmitter close-down at 2345:00 UT exact. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. QSL report: 14996 kHz, RWM, Russian STFS, Moscow. This unquestionably holds the record for me. Full data purple clock QSL card in 19 years, 1 month for a 1988 reception after at least five f/ups. Also received a nice personal letter on attractive letterhead. The v/s is indicated but all the letterís text is in Cyrillic. If anyone really needs his/her name I will be happy to find someone to translate it for you. Pleased doesn't begin to describe my feeling at receiving this one, the only STFS I heard that I never verified. (Jim Pogue, KH2AR/WPE9HLJ/KG6DX1A, Memphis, Tennessee USA, NRD-535, R-390A, ICF-2010, Wellbrook LA5030 loop, PAyRDT mini-whip, attic longwire, Quantum phaser, QRZ.com/KH2AR Nov 26, HCDX via DXLD) SFTS = standard frequency & time station, but 14996 is not exactly ``standard``! (gh)

** RUSSIA. 5900, at 0005 Nov 27, warbling carrier, unable to determine language, but VOR Portuguese scheduled from Moscow site. Why don't they put this poor thing out of its misery? See previous report in DXLD 7-130; ex 7300, not 7400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Still V of Russia RUS 6130 spurious signals on Nov 25th.
Thanks to Thomas Lindenthal, who discovered this spur on Nov 22.

6130, Spurious VoRussia signals, at 1600-2039 UT, Nov 23.

Spurs left the air suddenly at 2039 UT, <<<<<< and fundamental 6130 kHz kept on service at S=9+20-+30 db level til 2200 UT.

Note signal drifting tonight to
6014.23 and 6245.66 at 2030 UT

and another spurious at 115.36 kHz away on
5898.47 and 6361.38 at 2038 UT.

6013.79 and 6246.18 at 1805 UT
6013.97 and 6245.97 at 1850 UT

and another spurious at 116.3 kHz away on
5897.91 and 6361.97 at 1857 UT.

6013.48 kHz, wandering to 6013.73 / symmetrically on 6246.24 kHz at 1730 UT (wb, Nov 23)

Now on Nov 25th, VOR Moscow site spurious signals of fundamental 6130 kHz, English 1600, French 1700-2200 UT are still on air on 49 / 50 mb.

Nov 24 2030 UT

6130 / 5898.28 / 6014.14 / 6245.86

Nov 24 2150 UT

6130 / 5898.81 / 6014.39 / 6245.49

Nov 25 1915 UT

6130 / 6014.04 / 6245.93 -- but not on 5998.08 !

(73 Wolfgang B_schel, Germany, Nov 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SIKKIM. 4835, *0100-0150, India, 23-11, AIR Gangtok, vernaculars, AIR hymn, sitar, 0105 news, 0110 Drama, 30 News, mixed choir 25232 AP-DNK (Anker Petersen, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** SINGAPORE. I stand corrected with announcement on 6150 kHz being "Nine-three-eight Live", which I always understood as "Ninety eight Live"; I checked the Mediacorp website (Gerhard Werdin, touring in and around Chiang Mai in N Thailand, wwdxc BC-DX Nov 24 via DXLD)

** SOMALIA. Radio Baay/Bay, operated by the Transitional Government of Somalia seems to have a website <http://www.radiobaay.com/> At a quick glance I found no info about their present frequencies. I couldn't make the internal links on the left side work. Maybe still under construction. This station was heard on shortwave 6950 in the beginning of 2007 (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski, Finland, Nov 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. REE, 6055, English to NAM, UT Tue Nov 27 at 0041 was ending Radio Waves. This week's radio song was ``Mama Radio``. Host Justin Coe gave 6-figure P O Box, new e-mail address of english @ rtve.es and ``keep the TV off and the radio on`` till show ended at 0042:30. Well, it was almost time for me to watch Countdown at 0100 on MSNBC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. SRI LANKA AIR FORCE HAS iCOMPLETELY DESTROYEDî LTTE RADIO STATION --- The Sri Lanka Army says its Air Force was able to completely destroy the clandestine LTTE (Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam) radio station at Thiruviiyar, Kilinochchi, this evening at about 4.30 pm local time. A news report on the Sri Lanka Army website says:

iThe clandestine terrorist radio, dubbed as Voice of Tigers, has been selling fabricated and totally false stories to the local community as well as to their sympathetic foreign agents for the last twenty years

luring thousands of young Tamils into their fighting machine. Tuesday's aerial attack totally crippled their radio transmissions and all other transmission of terrorist messages. Air Force sorties on specific target information carried out this successful air attack with the help of Mig and Kfir jets.î

(Source: Sri Lanka Army)(November 27th, 2007 - 13:40 UTC by Andy, Media Network blog via DXLD) Used to be on SW, but not for years (gh)

** SUDAN [non]. U.K. (non) Frequency change for BBC Darfur Salaam Service in Arabic to Sudan:
0500-0530 NF 5950 SKN 300 kW / 140 deg, ex 6015 MOS 300 kW / 115 deg
\\ 6035 SKN 300 kW / 140 deg
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Nov 26 via DXLD)

** SUDAN [non]. SLOVAKIA, 9825, 23 Nov, 1610+, Miraya FM with continuous talks in Arabic and very many mentions of Sudan. Signal to max S4 with very short peaks to S9 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. Re 7-142: Sudan Radio service corrected --- The incorrect info of Sudan Radio Service Program Schedule and Frequency Guide are all by me, not from the schedule. The correct info, like contained at the schedule, are as follows, except indicated like the case of Toposa Service:

Monday-Friday

0300-0330	5975 KHz
0330-0500	7280 KHz (not 0330-1100 like showed before)
0500-0600 [sic:]	9560 KHz, 13720 KHz (not 1100-1200 like before)
1500-1800	9840 KHz

Saturday

1500-1600	9840 KHz
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Sunday

1500-1600	9840 KHz (not 1500-1645 like showed before)
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English Service

Monday-Friday	0300-0330, 0530-0600, 1730-1800
Saturday-Sunday	1500-1530

Arabic Service

Monday-Friday	0330-0400, 0400-0500, 1500-1530, 1600-1700
Saturday-Sunday	1530-1600

Toposa Service

Saturday (not Sunday; the info of Toposa Service is from their

languages page, not from their Program Schedule because it simply don't mention Toposa; time of Toposa Service by Aoki because it isn't at the Sudan's languages page) --- 1600-1645

Dinka Service Monday 1700-1730
Zande Service Tuesday 1700-1730
Muro Service Wednesday 1700-1730
Bari Service Thursday 1700-1730
Shiluk Service Friday 1700-1730

73 (L'cio Ot-vio Bobrowiec, Brasil, Nov 25, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tnx for the correxions, but in the meantime we (well, HFCC) think that they are really on 9525, not 9560 at 05-06 (gh, DXLD)

** SWAZILAND. TWR Manzini, 6135, 2017 Nov 25, playing IS, occasional IDs in English: This is Trans World Radio, Swaziland," off at 2023. Fair signal with some flutter. HFCC, Aoki, and EiBi all have this with a 2020 sign-off, but on 6130 (David Yocis, Harpers Ferry WV (USA), R8B, longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWEDEN [non]. Surprised to hear Swedish at 0037 Nov 26, on 6100, Sackville, which starts RCI at 0100. No such 0030 transmission in Aoki or EiBi, but is in HFCC, apparently a late addition by R. Sweden to the B-07 schedule (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 7255, R. Thailand, 1114-1130, Nov 23, English/Vernacular. IS/English ID announcement followed by OM in language. Pulled the plug during IS/English sign-off announcement. VOA-Thailand at 1130. Fair (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIMOR LESTE. North American listeners were not idle over the last month. Particularly noteworthy was the first known reception in North America of an NDB in Timor. Steve Ratzlaff, AA7U in Oregon heard KO 391.0 Dili (+1021 Hz) on 25 October at 1402 UT at a distance of 12,733 km. (I'm not counting an earlier reception of KO by Martin Francis in Ontario; he used a remote Web-controlled receiver in Western Australia.) (Andy Robins, MI, Utility Desk ed., Dec MW News via DXLD)

** TURKEY. [Continued from ASIA [non], 100% QSL rate] O mesmo com relaÁo ã Voice of Turkey, enviei 5 informes em recepÁes em turco, Frances e chinís, sem dificuldades de obter respostas. Confesso que no inicio estava em d'vida se a VOT respondia, cheguei a escrever isso na lista, mas tive que me render ã fidelidade da VOT. 5 informes enviados, 5 respostas recebidas em prazos bastante aceit-veis.

Enquanto as emissoras estiverem confirmando, estaremos pesquisando as ondas do rádio, escrevendo informes de recepção, e de quebra estreitando laços de amizade com gente nova, em países que dantes nem imaginávamos que teríamos um bom contato. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, São Bernardo, SP, BRASIL, DXclubPR yg via DXLD)

** UGANDA. 4975.97, Radio Uganda, 2040-2225, Nov 24, variety of Afro-pops, local folk music, Afro-rap, Euro-pop & US pop music. Phone talk. English & vernacular talk. On later than usual. Weak at tune-in, improving to a fair level by 2200, but with CODAR QRM (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA [and non]. Radio now gets boost from Japan AND China --- China to help Uganda upgrade its broadcasting facilities, look into possibility of getting new radio and TV channels. See http://www.monitor.co.ug/artman/publish/business/Chinese_to_upgrade_UBC.shtml

In July, it was announced that Japan was giving Uganda a 10m-dollar grant to upgrade its MW network (Chris Greenway, England, Nov 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. BBC WORLD SERVICE 75TH ANNIVERSARY PROGRAMMING

There's quite a few BBC World Service 75th anniversary programmes already previewed at the BBC Press Office advance programme information site; these two in particular I thought would be worth making a note of in list members diaries, can't find anything as yet on the BBCWS website itself:

How Free The BBC?

Saturday 15 December 5.30-6.00am BBC WORLD SERVICE

Ray Snoddy, one of the country's most respected media commentators, takes a candid look at the relationship between BBC World Service and its funders, the UK Government. He asks whether a broadcasting organisation funded directly by £246m a year grant-in-aid from the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office can remain editorially independent. The programme features an extensive interview with Nigel Chapman, Director of BBC World Service, responding to the questions raised by Snoddy's analysis. Presenter/Ray Snoddy, Producer/Penny Vine

The Big Link Up

Wednesday 19 December Throughout the day BBC WORLD SERVICE

BBC World Service celebrates its 75th birthday today with live outside broadcasts throughout the day, linking audiences around the world in a global debate on freedom of the media. The debate echoes the themes of programming in the World Service's Free To Speak season that has

marked the anniversary over recent days.

Linked outside broadcasts spread across the world ñ in East Asia, from Mongolia to Australia, the Middle East, Europe and Africa and the Americas from North through Central America to the South ñ mark the actual date of the World Service's launch 75 years ago. Regional link-ups featuring panels of experts and audiences interact with internet caf  s, local radio stations, newsrooms and other meeting places around the globe.

"We want to reach right around the world and use the new ways people are communicating with each other to do this," says season commissioner Sara Beck. "Connecting with people in places we don't always report from will give us the chance to dissect the world afresh, to look at how the globe is being reshaped by technology.

We'll also explore new frameworks for freedom of expression, the effects of competition and the challenges of these new responsibilities." Presenter/Various, Producers/Various (BBC World Service Publicity via Mike Barraclough, England, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K [non]. Additional transmissions for BBC in Urdu to Pakistan:

0200-0230 on 9510 CYP 250 kW / 097 deg
0200-0230 on 11740 SNG 250 kW / 310 deg
0200-0230 on 15560 NAK 250 kW / 305 deg
0730-0800 on 15325 CYP 300 kW / 077 deg
0730-0800 on 15420 SLA 250 kW / 050 deg
0730-0800 on 17560 NAK 250 kW / 305 deg
1200-1230 on 7205 NAK 250 kW / 305 deg
1200-1230 on 9660 SLA 250 kW / 050 deg
1200-1230 on 11650 NAK 250 kW / 300 deg
1200-1230 on 15420 CYP 300 kW / 077 deg
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Nov 26 via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. Additional frequency changes for VOA Aap Ki Dunyaa in Urdu:

0630-0700 NF 15325, ex 17655 \\ 17685
1400-1500 NF 9370, ex 9510 \\ 11705
1500-1600 NF 7495, NF 9370,ex 9705 and 7345
1600-1700 NF 7495, NF 9370,ex 7405 and 7345
1700-1800 NF 7495, ex 7260 \\ 11500
1800-1900 NF 7495, ex 7355 \\ 7405
(DX Mix News, Bulgaria, Nov 26 via DXLD)

** U S A. Had been hearing China [q.v.] on 5050, but Nov 26 at 2346, wiped out by WWRB with big band music warmup/fill, on much earlier than licensed *0000. Still BB music at 0007, piano music at 0022, their only programming worth listening to (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX

LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WTJC, 9370, monitored Nov 26 at 2317-2323, but no Star Spangled Banner, unlike a few days before, just Xmas music, and fading into noise level by 2325 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Two changes occurred in the Chicago market today 11/26, both involving daytimers owned by Newsweb Corporation. WCPT "Chicago's Progressive Talk," formerly on the 850 kHz station, CoL Crystal Lake IL, moved its format (liberal talk, mostly Air America) and calls to the 820 kHz station licensed to Willow Spring IL. The former calls on 820, WAIT, moved to 850. Gone from 820 is the "Relevant Radio" Catholic talk format. The lease agreement between Relevant Radio and Newsweb ran out on 11/25 and was not renewed (Relevant Radio recently purchased WNTD 950 Chicago and began carrying its programming on it M-F 5 AM-7 PM, SS the rest of the time). According to Robert Feder of the Chicago Sun Times, the new format on the new WAIT will be brokered programming, but today the only thing that WAIT was running was a continuous loop telling WCPT listeners to retune to 820. 73 (Bill Dvorak, Madison WI, IRCA via DXLD)

<http://www.wcpt820.com/news/view?articleID=74>

had some more info and they were bragging on the air about doubling power, etc., etc. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, IL, ibid.)

** U S A. WCXH-780 DX Test --- Since there seems to be some confusion about the nature of the code (tone frequency, speed) sent during this test, I thought it would be useful to post a clip that you folks out west can use for comparison to what you heard:

<http://topazdesigns.com/ambc/audio/wcxh-780-0450-24nov07.mp3>

It sounds very close to 1 kHz to me, and maybe 10 wpm or so. There are also some sweeps at the end of the clip. Hope this helps, (Barry McLarnon VE3JF Ottawa, ON, Nov 24, IRCA via DXLD)

I have posted an audio clip to the DX Clip Joint for anyone who wants to compare what they heard to a good copy of the DX test

<http://dxclipjoint.com/bill/00780-wcxh-20071124-0420.mp3>

(Bill Harms, Elkridge, Maryland, ibid.)

Heh, heh, I notice there is an error in the code, deliberate? 73, (Glenn Hauser, IRCA via DXLD)

WCXH DX Test Final Report

Alas, so much of life is about timing. The weekend that the WCXH test was originally scheduled to run had some great indices and propagation conditions, and those lucky enough (and I do mean lucky) to hear the test running later than at the published time heard it quite well.

Sadly, the rescheduled test came on the heels of a geomagnetic storm, making the morning still somewhat auroral with elevated A and K indices. Most DXers heard little more than WBBM and an assortment of Spanish language broadcasters, including yours truly. Still, there were those who managed to pull this interesting station from Maine out of the mix.

An odd situation has arisen with Morse code heard on 780 kHz in the Northwest, but the signals thus far have not matched up precisely with what closer listeners were hearing. The jury is still out on this one and the guys out west are waiting to hear from Allan Weiner on their inquiries.

Here's the list of listeners who have indicated positive or tentative reception:

Jim Chenard	Blairstown, NJ
Saul Chernos	Burnt River, ON, Canada
Marc DeLorenzo	South Dennis, MA
Michael Diers	Huntington Station, NY
Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA
Nick Hall-Patch	Victoria, BC, Canada
Bill Harms	Elkridge, MD
Patrick Martin	Seaside, OR
Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON, Canada
Bruce Portzer	Seattle, WA
Walt Salmani	Victoria, BC, Canada
George Santulli	Lovettsville, VA
Brett Saylor	Central PA
John Sgrulletta	Mahopac, NY

As I alluded to earlier, most of the guys on the West Coast reported tentative reception. If we get any clarification on their results I'll include that info in a future report.

A great big thank you goes out to Allan Weiner for the great test. Perhaps we can persuade him to run another test this season with hopes for better propagation conditions.

Thanks also to everyone who tried for the test, and congratulations to those who logged it. We continue to receive positive responses to our requests for tests. Be sure to check the DXTESTS.INFO Web site frequently and listen to the BTC Podcasts for news and late-breaking developments. Good listening to all (Jim Pogue, IRCA/NRC Joint Broadcast Test Committee Coordinator, Memphis, TN, Nov 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WIMA, 1150 kHz, Lima, Ohio DX Test

Date: Saturday morning (late Friday night), Jan. 5, 2008.
Time: 2 - 2:30 a.m. Eastern Time, 0700 - 0730 UT.
1,000 watts using non-directional antenna pattern.

Programming will consist of special voice announcements by our own Fred Vobbe of NRC's DX Audio Service, music by the Ohio State Marching Band, Morse code and 1,000 Hz tones. Reception reports may be sent to WIMA Radio, Attn: Lima Engineering, 667 West Market St., Lima, OH 45801. E-mail reception reports may also be submitted to limaengineering @ clearchannel.com

No eQSL service is being offered for this test. Recordings on disk in .mp3 or .wav format will be accepted as proof of reception. More information is available at <http://www.667westmarket.com/engineering/wima/test/dxtest.html>

This great and historic station has long been DXer friendly, having previously tested in 1992 and 2005. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Many thanks to WIMA Director of Engineering Mark Gierhart for agreeing to conduct this test, and to Fred Vobbe for his help in putting the test program together (Jim Pogue, KH2AR @ comcast.net <http://www.dxtests.info> IRCA/NRC Joint BTC Coordinator, Nov 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**** U S A. KKM0 1360 kHz Seattle, Washington DX Test**

Date: Sunday morning (late Saturday night), Jan. 13, 2008.
Time: 12-12:15 a.m. Pacific Time, 0800 - 0815 UT.
5,000 watts using non-directional antenna pattern.

From 12:00-12:10 a.m. PST, programming will consist of 1,000 Hz tone at 0 db. From 12:11 to 12:15 a.m. PST, programming will consists of college football marching songs. No Morse code or sweep tones are scheduled at this time, but if this changes we will notify listeners ASAP. Reception reports may be sent to KKM0 Radio, Attn: Mr. Monte Passmore, CE, 2201 6th Ave., Suite 1500, Seattle, WA 98121. E-mail reception reports may also be submitted to montep @ kgwn.com No eQSL service is being offered for this test. Recordings on disk in .mp3 or .wav format will be accepted as proof of reception. NOTE: All requests for verifications must be accompanied by return postage in order to receive a reply. Many thanks to KKM0 Chief Engineer Monte Passmore for agreeing to conduct this test (Jim Pogue - KH2AR @ comcast.net <http://www.dxtests.info> IRCA/NRC Joint BTC Coordinator, Nov 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**** U S A. 1060, FLORIDA, St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport;** for the record, this one still hasn't reactivated after few

months (as of 26 November, 2007). Blue signs remain on all approach roads, and the transmitter/stick are still in place on the edge of the rental car parking lot, across from the airport. Maybe the transmitter finally went seriously pffffffffffffffffffffffffff (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 27.55.83 N, 82.46.08 W Visit my "Florida Low Power Radio Stations" at: <http://home.earthlink.net/~tocobagadx/flortis.html>

or:

<http://www.geocities.com/geigertree/flortis.html> DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. MILWAUKEE SYMPHONY APPLIES TO FCC FOR RADIO STATION LICENSE
Posted: Nov. 26, 2007 Inside TV & Radio Tim Cuprisin
<http://www.jsonline.com/story/index.aspx?id=690167>

The Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra has taken the first step to bring classical music back to Milwaukee's FM radio dial by applying for an FCC license.

Before listeners longing for Beethoven and Bach get too excited, there are a lot more steps before a new classical station could, maybe, possibly become a reality. The chance of classical radio exists because the Federal Communications Commission opening a number of non-commercial, educational licenses.

"The FCC opened up the window where they will be giving away non-commercial, educational licenses," says Susan Loris, the symphony's vice president for marketing and communications. "The MSO saw an opportunity to potentially fill the void of classical music caused by the demise of WFMR."

WFMR dropped its classical music format earlier this year, replacing it with smooth jazz under new call letters, WJZX-FM (106.9). WFMR was a commercial station that couldn't make enough money in the classical music biz.

The only classical music format on Milwaukee radio comes from WHAD-FM (90.7), the Wisconsin Public Radio station in southeast Wisconsin. It airs only on WHAD's second audio channel, available on HD radio.

Speaking of Wisconsin Public Radio, it filed requests for licenses for eight new stations. If it gets a southeast Wisconsin license, its station will set up in Port Washington.

It could take a couple years for the FCC to dole out the licenses, which means a long time before the MSO has to take any major steps. In fact, whoever gets the southeast Wisconsin license would have up to two years to get the radio station going.

"We feel that there is enough time where we would identify the moneys we would need to run a radio station," says Loris. "We're potentially looking at partnerships. There are a number of ways we could take this."

Loris says the cost of applying for the license has been "less than \$7,500." "The first step we needed to take was to put our application in. If we receive the radio station license, it doesn't mean we have to take it." And if things don't work out, they could always return it to the FCC (Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel via Artie Bigley, DXLD) WTFK??

** U S A. 97-year-old YL, W8BFQ:
<http://www.tricities.com/tristate/tri/news.apx.-content-articles-TRI-2007-11-26-0007.html>
(via Artie Bigley, OH, DXLD)

** VATICAN. 7105, harmonic or fundamental? I spotted Vatican last night at 1745 UT, "Radio Vaticana" ID Italian YL // 1611 kHz, extremely weak and by 1748 a Chinese station had faded up and covered it. I guess this must be some kind of spurious emission as 7100-7200 is supposed to be an amateur band in Europe now.

If anyone's going on any MW DXpeditions this winter, don't forget to check for MW Harmonics! (Tim Bucknall, (drowning in QRM), Congleton N/W England, Icom R75 + Wellbrook ALA 1530, Nov 27, harmonics yg via DXLD)

VR scheduled frequencies on 41m at that hour: 7365, 7290, 7260; can't figure out a mix, and not in HFCC on 7105. There are still plenty of European broadcasters on 7100-7200, the band shared for now (gh, DXLD)

** VATICAN. Vatican schedule --- b u t be careful: Time in Rome Time (UT +1 hr)!! SW schedule hidden at (click schedules)
http://www.radiovaticana.org/en1/palin_ing.asp

click to small column midst at
EUROPE 1st
EUROPE 2nd
ASIA & OCEANIA
AMERICA
AFRICA

see also Special Programmes
<http://www.radiovaticana.org/en1/enprogrammi.asp>

and click to red coloured SPECIAL PROGRAMMES
<http://www.radiovaticana.org/coorpro/entrasmisspec.htm>
73 wolffy (Wolfgang B.schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA. Re 7-142: 631.28, YVKA, RNV, Caracas NOV 27, 0400 - Poor in USB with 630 splatter; choral national anthem. Measured at 631.277 kHz. Previously incorrectly logged Nov 5 by me as R. Progreso Cuba. Thanks to Marc DeLorenzo who since reported unequivocal RNV IDs (Bruce Conti, Nashua NH; SDR IQ, WR-CMC-30, MWDX-5, 15 x 23-m SuperLoop antennas east with remote control termination and south 1150-ohm terminated. <http://members.aol.com/baconti/bamlog.htm> IRCA via DXLD)

Just read this [Ad'n Gonzalez' report] at 1120 EST Tuesday. Found 110 messages in my inbox this morning and I'm supposed to be working! :-)
Also read Bruce's log of a positive ID. Had the Spanish translated by a Spanish-speaking co-worker, just to be sure I understood it correctly. So, bottom line, it is YVKA-630 that has drifted up to 631.26 (variable). Thanks to everyone for their input! OK, looks like the mystery has been solved. What a group of DXers can do when they each provide a piece to a puzzle is very impressive! (Marc DeLorenzo, South Dennis, MA, IRCA via DXLD)

** VENEZUELA. Someone sent me a power point presentation, ``Cuando esto sea cierto yo votar  por Chavez! LEANLO!!!!`` which makes a rather good anti-Ch vez case. Not the kind of thing I can include here or link to, but if anyone is interested, I can forward it directly, as I did to some Venezuelans, in case they hadn't seen it. Here's one response:

Estimado Don Guillermo, Muchas gracias por el env o de este archivo en Power Point, el cual muestra la triste realidad de mi pa s.

El pr ximo domingo 02 de diciembre se re realizar  un referendum si en realidad el pueblo venezolano decide mantener la actual constituci n, o por el contrario cambiarla para perpetuar para siempre la presencia presidencial de Ch vez en el poder, acabar con la propiedad privada, y perder el derecho a la defensa e informaci n en caso de conmovi n nacional, entre otras.

Desafortunadamente las encuestas est n divididas entre ir a votar o No. Ni siquiera si se va a votar por el S  o por el No, ya que el actual Consejo Nacional Electoral (CNE) es controlado en su totalidad por Ch vez, sin nombrar CANTV la empresa telef nica nacional, la cual har  la transferencia de los votos electr nicos, porque ni siquiera votaremos con papeletas sino con m quinas electr nicas, algo que hace desconfiar votar.

 C mo se puede votar as ? La trampa est  montada: Si vas a votar y votas por el No, no existe seguridad de que tu voto sea cambiado electr nicamente por un voto a favor del S , es decir Gana Ch vez.

Si no vas a votar, igual gana Chávez porque aunque sea por un voto que saque el SÍ de ventaja, igual gana Chávez.

Total que la situación es difícil para los venezolanos demócratas. La única opción que veo es salir a la calle a protestar y no regresar a nuestras casas hasta impedir a toda costa que cambien nuestra actual constitución por otra que en varios elementos se parece a la cubana.

°Dios nos agarre confesados!

Lamento mucho que haya dejado de emitir la versión en español de su programa DX. Sin más reciba un cordial saludos, y humildemente estamos a sus gratas ordenes para cualquier cosa. Atentamente, (Jorge García Rangel, Barinas, Venezuela, Nov 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VENEZUELA [non]. 6060, R. Nacional de Venezuela via Cuba, *1059-1111, Nov 26, mention of Havana, Cuba [first time I have heard this], ToH OM briefly in English with program schedule, into Spanish programming, IDs for R. Nacional de Venezuela, poor (QRM/China) (Ron Howard, CA, EtÚn E5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. 11735, 25/11 1845, Radio Tanzania Zanzibar, Tanzania, religious Christian program, ID on the hour and news in national language [Kiswahili, presumably]. Good. Rx: Perseus; Ant: T2FD 15 m long. 73 (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italy, <http://radiodxsw.blogspot.com/> dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. Voice of Zimbabwe --- Government-owned radio Voice of Zimbabwe was observed beginning its news programming for the day on shortwave 4828 kHz at 1552 gmt on 26 November 2007. After the national anthem and interval signal (a melody played on an African xylophone), the following announcement in English was heard:

"This is the Voice of Zimbabwe coming to you from Gweru, the capital of the Midlands province in the heart of the country. We're broadcasting on shortwave 5975 kilohertz in the 49-metre band, and on 4828 kilohertz in the 60-metre band. We bring you news, interviews, specials, reviews, and in-depth analysis of topical Zimbabwean, African and world events.

"If you have any views and comments, write us on the following address: the Voice of Zimbabwe, 24 Seven Street, Gweru, Zimbabwe. You can also call us on these landline phone numbers: 054 230640, 054 230109, 054 230108. If you're outside Zimbabwe, 263 is our national phone grid number".

Following this announcement there was a time check for six o'clock [local time, although it was actually 1556 gmt] and a ten-minute news

bulletin, after which there was an interview with the president of the Zimbabwe Miners' Federation.

Voice of Zimbabwe news programming is believed to be on air Monday to Friday at 1600-2000 gmt, with the remainder of the time filled with continuous music. Currently only one transmitter is used, on 5975 kHz shortwave during daylight hours and on 4828 kHz shortwave during the hours of darkness. The station is operated by the Ministry of Information. An audio clip of the above can be heard on the Interval Signals Online website - <http://www.intervalsignals.net>
(Dave Kernick, England, Nov 27, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. 4880, SWR Africa, 1812 Nov 23 with reggae songs. ID at 1813 with frequencies and web address, then program 'Africa in Zimbabwe' 1845 political talks about Lingala, Quite good signal at S9, 45533 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4845.13, 0900-0930 Nov 26. Noted a very weak signal here with a man in unknown(?) language comments until 0910. Following the comments, music was presented. More comments at 0915. I would like to call this Radio Municipal from Bolivia, but the signal is very weak and it's impossible to glean any specific details from it. In addition, we have the utility that is always on this frequency covering the signal periodically. Later (1014) we have a second station using this frequency, but slightly higher at 4845.25 kHz. This station sounds Brazilian with the Portuguese language being used (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston, FL, NRD545, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5005v, 1130+, Nov 24, Carrier noted here with occasional hints of weak audio. Also noted by D. Valko at same UT who speculates toward R. Nepal. Thanks R. Wilkner tip who speculates toward LTC Juliaca, Per'. Definitely worth monitoring. I'm hoping for Nepal! (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, R8, R75, NIR10, MLB1, 200' Beverages, 60m Dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. While tuning back and forth between 5954.1 and 6045, kept coming across carrier on 5984.0, before 2300 Nov 26 and afterwards making het with English at 2310 on 5985.0, which would be BBC Thailand during this hour only. Altho 5984 was stronger, never could pull any audio from it; also slightly unstable as het pitch wavered, and as rechecked at 2327, 2353. Somewhat suspect is the squealy Cuban transmitter on 5990 with CRI English relay, but nothing to match on the hi side, 5996 at 2353 recheck. After 0001 Nov 27, 5984 was still on and so was CRI in Spanish on 5990. Searching my DXLD archive, nothing at all comes up as ever reported on 5984 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Solar-terrestrial indices for 26 November follow. Solar flux 72 and

mid-latitude A-index 10. The mid-latitude K-index at 0000 UTC on 27 November was 2 (13 nT). No space weather storms were observed for the past 24 hours. No space weather storms are expected for the next 24 hours (SWPC via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6047.18, has been teasing me for over a week now with an open carrier here around 0100, but have not detected any audio yet. Suspect R. Santa Rosa (Per') as recently reported by Chuck Bolland (Ron Howard, CA, Nov 26, EtUn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. VOA News in English 7205 at 0130z; judging by the time and frequency to be a morning broadcast to Asia but I don't see it listed in HFCC, EiBi, Aoki or at the VOA website. In fact I didn't see any frequency lists at the VOA website (Jerry Lenamon, Waco Texas, Nov 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7205 Hidden? UNID FE/SE Asian location. Yes, heard VoA English at 0200-0300 UT a week ago. Maybe replaced 7200 by 7205 kHz due of Korea and Urumchi 7195/7200. Udorn Thani, Brieche, Wertachtal? 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, ibid.)

I listened again last night to 7205 after 0100z. Signal strength declined as the evening progressed. Makes sense if the origin is Thailand (or Sri Lanka) since daylight would be increasing along that path. The timing of the broadcast may be more favorable for South Asia than for East Asia (around daylight in South Asia, mid or late morning in East Asia). (Jerry Lenamon, Nov 27, ibid.)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

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DESPEDIDA DE MUNDO RADIAL

Amigos, desde hace muchos años, he preparado estos informes Mundo Radial después de mi colaboración mensual en Radio Enlace de Radio Nederland, programa que se ha terminado. Así es que decidí también poner fin a Mundo Radial. ...sta es la última emisión, que desaparece después de algunas semanas de repeticiones habituales. Agradezco mucho a las emisoras que han provisto su tiempo radial, WWCR y WRMI. Porsupuesto prosiguen sin cesar mis informes radiales y textuales en idioma inglés. Ahora compañeros radioescuchas, me despido de Vds., Guillermo Glenn Hauser, diciendo ``hasta siempre``. ### (Mundo Radial, noviembre 2007 via DXLD)

Muy lamentable escuchar de parte de uno de nuestros maestros en el Diexismo que ya no seguir haciendo su muy famoso y valioso ('til)

Mundo Radial. Al menos seguiremos acompa ando a nuestro querido Glenn en su lista DXLD por muchos a os mas! Respetamos la decisi n tomada por Glenn y le enviamos un gran abrazo desde Miami !!!! 73' (Dino Bloise, Nov 8)

Glenn, como no pude escuchar tu  ltima colaboraci n para Radio Enlace, acabo de enterarme y lamento mucho saber que por igual tomaste la desacertada decisi n de fulminar tu Mundo Radial, casi haci ndote eco de la no menor cabezonada de los colegas de Radio Nederland. Respeto totalmente tu decisi n pero con ella, vas dejando trunco un servicio que bien pudo mantenerse por WRMI y con m s raz n por Internet. Cuando menos era lo que menos hubiera esperado de tu persona que hoy por hoy te has constituido en el abanderado m ximo del din mico medio de la onda corta. De toda suerte Glenn, aunque no es el final del mundo todav a, quiero hacer p blico mi agradecimiento por el empe o que pones en tu trabajo y la ayuda con que siempre nos prodigas a la comunidad dxista mundial. 73. (Ra l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Nov 8)

Saludos cordiales Glenn, siento tristeza por que haya decidido suspender los Informes DX en espa ol; la verdad es que nos deja un poco hu rfanos esta decisi n. Mis respetos; lo  nico que queda a adir es mi gratitud por el trabajo que ha realizado, 37 [30?] a os son muchos a os, dif cilmente igualables. Lo  nico que queda por lamentar es que nadie podr  coger el testigo. Atentamente (Jos  Miguel Romero, Spain, Nov 9)

Saludos cordiales querido amigo Glenn. Espero te encuentres muy bien. Estimado amigo, al igual que otros colegas diexistas manifiesto mi tristeza por la decisi n que has tomado de eliminar tu programa diexista "Mundo Radial" en espa ol a trav s de las diferentes emisoras por donde se transmit a, en este caso tambi n a trav s de Uni n Radio 640 donde estaba siempre presente en Sinton a DX. Ojal  te animaras a incluir aunque sea una peque a secci n en espa ol en la programaci n en ingl s para seguir manteniendo contacto contigo y tus valiosas informaciones.

Bueno, mi querido amigo, recibe un fuerte abrazo y mucha suerte. Ahhhhhhhh pero pi nsalo, tienes muchos seguidores en idioma espa ol y ser a triste que nos dejaras de repente sin tus comentarios. Pi nsalo, Glenn, pi nsalo. Atte: (Jos  El as D az G mez, Venezuela, Nov 9)

Ol  Glenn, Lamento o final do seu programa em espanhol, mas agora voc  ter  tempo para fazer um em portugu s, n o  ? T  brincando. Pouqu ssimos programas de radio duram 30 anos, ent o consideremos o final de algo extremamante vitorioso o Mundo Radial, que promoveu o dexismo e as comunica es de forma competente e profissional para a comunidade latina pelo mundo. 73's (L cio Ot vio Bobrowiec, Brasil, Nov 11)



In case you hadn't heard, I decided to end Mundo Radial with the current November edition, as it was an outgrowth of my reports on RN's Radio Enlace, which was cancelled at Octend. It was a great deal of work to compile a month's worth of DX news, translate, condense it to 14 minutes. I am deeply moved by the kind words above from those who appreciated my work in Spanish. I will continue to be involved in Spanish & Portuguese DX groups, some of which have also started publishing my DX reports in English (Glenn)

#### LANGUAGE LESSONS

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Re: ``@, however it's pronounced, now has a certain widespread application, and I would urge people to stop using it to save one letter, but an extra keystroke to shift, when writing text about logging times, etc. I am constantly editing it into `at` and have better ways to spend my time. I don't take it as snobbishness, but buying into `DX-speak` rather than plain English, along with numerous other unnecessary truncations (gh, DXLD)`` [also if you consistently give the time first, and then what was heard, you can dispense with ``at`` too]

I agree. I generally find myself using less and less DXisms, all the way down to no longer using EG, EE or ENG in place of "English" and instead type the entire word(s) and dates. In the digitally generated and displayed world, why not? Does it matter if your email is what adds up to a paragraph of additional text, or if a DXLD or similar is "longer" as a result? Not. Only in the hand-scribed logbook do I make these shortcuts (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Also, some computers think there must be an e-mail address wherever an @ appears, confusing them (gh)

#### DIGITAL BROADCASTING DRM: CHINA [non]; ECUADOR; GUIANA FRENCH

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#### RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

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#### THE CODAR CORRESPONDENCE, contd.

Dear Mr Garfield, I can understand how your people got it wrong when you setup the frequencies that are being used now for your CODAR system, i.e. 4.7 to 5.0. Since the USA does not transmit on the tropical band below 5.0 MHz, you probably figured there would not be any harm in using that frequency spectrum?

Unfortunately, other countries close to the USA do use those frequencies. One country is Mexico. Mexico has a shortwave broadcasting station on 4.8[1] MHz which your signal covers constantly. Then there are stations from South America and Central America that are splattered all over that band. Do you think it's fair for those stations to be interfered with? Many of their citizens rely on shortwave to get information necessary for living.

If your signals can reach my location in Florida as well as they do, I am sure they can cause harmful interference in other areas just as far away from the West Coast. We are all hoping you can adjust your transmitters so that the band between 4.7 to 5.0 MHz is not being used as you previously claimed it would not be used. Thank you (Chuck Bolland, FL, Nov 26, to Toby Garfield, SFSU, via DXLD) ###